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Re: Application of: ZHAO, Hong, et al.
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 For: **POLYMERIC OLIGONUCLEOTIDE
 PRODRUGS**
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**Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.116
With Request for Continued Examination**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, made Final, dated May 24, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are provided. In addition, Applicants provide herewith a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a), with the required fee, and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. A Request for Continued Examination is also provided, with the required fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.